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INASMUCH AS QUESTIONS ARISE FROM TIME TO TIME IN CONNECTION WITH THIS SUBJECT. THE FOLLOWING MAY BE USEFUL:

- 1. THE BASIC AGREEMENT IS OUTLINED IN A LETTER FROM MR.
 W.J. DE VRIES, NATO DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, DATED APRIL 13, 1972 AND AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SIGNED
 BY MR. JAMES J. SOLDOW, USNATO DIRECTOR PERSONNEL,
 ADMINISTRATION, AND SECURITY. IT PROVIDES THAT THE QUOTE
 ...DIRECT HIRE PROCEDURE WILL APPLY ONLY TO POSITIONS IN
 GRADES A.3 AND L.3 AND BELOW ...UNQUOTE.
- 2. STATE 137410 OF JULY 28, 1972 STATES: QUOTE IT IS OUR INTENT TO RESERVE ALL A.4 AND HIGHER POSITIONS TO SECONDED UNCLASSIFIED

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U.S. PERSONNEL, WHO HAVE BEEN SELECTED THROUGH FOREIGN

SERVICE OR CIVIL SERVICE PROCEDURES. THERE SHOULD BE NO ABUSE OFAGREEMENT WHEREBY U.S. PERSONNEL ARE HIRED DIRECTLY BY NATO AT A.3 LEVEL, WITHINTENT TO THEN PROMOTE THEM TO HIGHER POSITIONS WHICH WE WANT TO RESERVE FOR FOREIGN SERVICE AND CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL. MISSION

SHOULD TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO ENSURE THAT THERE WILL NEVER BE A U.S. CITIZEN UNDER THE DIRECT HIRE PROCEDURE IN A POSITION HIGHER THAN A.3. BOTH NATO/IS, AND U.S. APPLICANTS FOR DIRECT HIRE POSITIONS SHOULD CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THIS U.S.POLICY AND IF MISSION BELIEVES NECESSARY, MATTER SHOULD BE CLARIFIED IN ANOTHER LETTER FROM MISSION TO NATO. MISSION SHOULD ENSURE THAT THE ABOVE POLICY IS DISSEMINATED TO ALL UNITS AUTHORIZED TO USE NATO DIRECT HIRE PROCEDURES. UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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